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if I may. Does this repeal the existing statute relating to the courts authority to fine or are we going to be in conflict in a region as to have authority to determine this? Will this preclude the presisting attitutes that the court has?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right. Senator Murphy, when the statute establishes the penalty, that is the penalty and that is what the court must assess.

SENATOR MURPHY: And it would not be in conflict with others providing what the court may do?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I don't know what it would be in conflict with.

SENATOR MURPHY: One other, would there be anything to preclude the court from extending court costs to offset the \$1.00 fine and bring you right back to where you were before?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The court cannot assess costs under this. This statute would prevent the assessment of court costs.

SENATOR MURPHY: Fine, thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Senator Chambers, if you'd answer a question. I hope I understand the amendment we're talking about. You're trying to raise it to 65, right? On the interstate?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, Senator Barnett, this does not alter the speed limit. The speed limit remains 55. It does not say that traveling 10 miles or less is not a violation. It merely prescribes the penalty for that violation.

SENATOR BARNETT: I see. I was under the impression you were removing the 55 mile an hour speed limit.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, it doesn't touch it.

SENATOR BARNETT: Okay.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, I would just like to add this to what I said in my previous statement. I'd like to remind the members of the body how far we've already come. In other provisions that we have passed and are on their way toward passage. We have provided for a special permit to drive to work if a drivers license is suspended. We have changed the suspension time from one year to six months and it's well on the way. We have changed the points that are assessed between 65 and 70 to two points. Now how far are we going to go? I want to repeat, I think this law would